# TOWN OF TIVERTON ARTS COUNCIL

### **Minutes**

Monday June 1, 2015 Town Hall, Tiverton, RI

#### **Present**

Barbara Pelletier, Publicity Jim Pelletier, Temporary Treasurer D. Gee, Secretary & Temporary Chair

#### **Visitors**

Dawn Medeiros Grace Medeiros

Meeting called to order @ 10:00 A.M.

## I. Minutes:

Amended and accepted as read

# II. Treasure's Report:

- A. R. Medeiros passed to D. Gee Treasure's notebook and print out from Town Treasurer (Balance \$311.90) Need new Treasure's Book
- B. B. Pelletier has outstanding bills for new hooks and 2 easels
- C. Moneys left will be spent on package of printing paper and more hooks

#### III. New Business:

- **A.** Appointed Jim Pelletier as Temporary Treasurer until council has five members (Voting on all council positions will be conducted when the Arts Council has five members)
- **B.** We welcome Jim Pelletier to Tiverton Arts Council
- C. "Our Pet" July/August Show was discussed
  - 1. D. Gee will design and create a new Guest Book "binder" (cover will change with each show showing artwork of show) Guest pages will be removed after each show and stored with Show Information
  - 2. Chained pen will be attached to Guest Book
  - 3. Two frames for show invitation and information will be supplied by B. Pelletier (one will replace plexi-glass at front entrance and a smaller one will be placed with Guest Book
  - 4. D. Gee will buy colored dots to be used on artwork (numbering artwork)
  - 5. Discussion of activity for visitors Artist Recognition Visitors will vote on favorite by placing stars on labeled tags (B. Pelletier will set up and post a directions sheet, D. Gee will help B. Pelletier create and hang tags)

## **D.** WHERE IN TIVERTON ARE YOU????

- 1. B. Pelletier obtained prize donations from local businesses (She will handle thank you notes)
- 2. Drawing was conducted by Nancy Mello, Town Clerk, during council meeting where B. Pelletier took photos Winner will be posted & notified
- 3. B. Pelletier will take pictures for a second contest
- **E.** Discussion of activities for out side on day of "Our Pets" Reception (B. Pelletier submitted an activity list)
  - 1. Put together copy to be publicized
  - 2. Party for our pets (Snacks, Musical Paws, Contest oldest/youngest dog, shortest/longest tail, biggest & smallest, Dachshund Dash, and paw painting)
  - 3. Plexi-glass panels inside Town Hall display unframed pictures of pet with comments/stories

# IV. Publicity: B. Pelletier

- A. Flyers Call for Artist "Our Pets" placed in newspapers and copies left around town
- B. Created a list of places flyers and invitations can be placed
- C. D. Gee will be calling artists that have placed work in previous shows inviting them to exhibit in "Our Pets"
- D. Copy written by B. Pelletier about show and pet activities needs to be publicized

# V. Membership:

- A. Dawn and Grace Medeiros attended June meeting and will be going on line to get applications to join the arts council (They were directed to get applications in soon so they could be placed on the next June Town Council Agenda) If approved we will have our 5 council members
- B. Discussion of responsibilities of members based on Town Council's Workshop Agenda and information from Town Administrator (copies for each member) Tabled until July meeting

## VI. Other Business:

- A. Discussed Arts Council Web Site that D. Gee is working on (D. Gee spoke to webmaster, David Roberts about steps in submitting updated information through e-mail attachments using PDF and JPEG)
  - 1. Research for web site content needed Grant Writing Writers Workshop, list of art activities for adults and students, artists as teachers, where held (Senior Center has been offered by Director, Janice Gomes)
  - 2. Discussion on using school locations and Tiverton Public Library (3 meeting rooms for display of artwork and setting for workshops)
  - 3. Working with Recreation Departments summer programs
  - 4. Placing meeting and event calendars on site (Keep access to meeting agendas and minutes and information on events)
  - 5. Updating arts sites found on our website (Correction, Additions, Subtractions, Contact Person) Checking on non-profit Friends of Arts in Tiverton, Sakonnet Arts Network, Historical Preservation Society, and the Garden Club
  - 6. On line Application Packet (Hard copy sources, examples of artwork and exhibit calendar)
  - 7. Art show invitation with information on artists and examples (changing bimonthly)
  - 8. Add new contact person
- B. We will work on a report containing what we are doing now and our goals (The report will be used in December to write our 2015 Annual Report to be submitted in January to the Tiverton Town Council) Add to August Arts Council Meeting
- C. Investigating add Public Art to our goals (Theme, Artists, Participants, Funding, Application Packet Location) Letter from Michael P. Lewis, Director Sakonnet River Bridge directing us to The Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, 401-222-38880 or info@arts.ri.gov
- D. J. Pelletier will do research on Grants that we may apply for (We discussed RI Foundation Website with electronic forms and the need for a workshop on how to find and fill out forms for success)
- E. We discussed the need to update gallery and to add showcase for 3D artwork (Finding volunteers to make showcases and inviting South Coast Open Studio Tour Artists to display artwork 2D & 3D during July / August 2016)

- F. Our Thank You to Ruth Medeiros (retired May 2015 council member) will be presented during the July 19, 2015 "Our Pets" Reception (The creation of our new Guest Book)
- **VI. Date of Next Meeting:** July 13, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned @ 12:05 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Deborah Ann Gee